Progress Report on Funded Nursery Projects Washington State Department of Agriculture

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Project Title: Economic Impact Study of WA State Nursery and Landscape Industry

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As projected, the study is scheduled to begin in January, 2005. A graduate will be hired by then.

Project leaders and lead researchers have worked to shape the scope of the study to properly measure economic impact of the green industry. It's structure is planned to include all **inputs to** the industry, and all **outputs from** the industry:

Soil amendments

Soil media

Aggregates

Hardscape components (wood, masonry, natural stone)

Garden art

Fertilizers & all chemical components (organic or not)

Woody plant material

Herbaceous perennials and annuals

Edible garden plants

Wholesale sales

Retail sales

Design services

Installation services

Maintenance services

Pest management services

Specialized equipment rental & sales

The initial oucome will be a statistical extrapolation of Dr. Carkner's survey data bringing results from the 1990's to 2005.

Progress: To be submitted for all projects funded in FY05 (July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005); and FY 06 (July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006).